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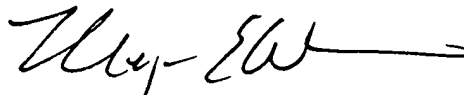
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A Non-Final Office Action was mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 4, 2002 in connection with this case rejecting claims 1-6. The attached papers establish that a Preliminary Amendment was filed on April 30, 2002 in which claims 1-6 were canceled and claims 13-37 were added. Transmitted herewith is a copy of a post card date-stamped by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on

May 10, 2002 showing receipt of the Preliminary Amendment. Applicants have also enclosed herewith a duplicate copy of the Preliminary Amendment.

It is respectfully requested that a revised Office Action be issued which considers the presently pending claims, 13-37.

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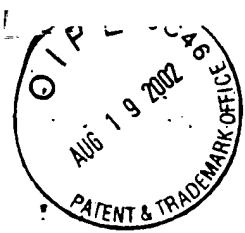


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